



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

<b>Applicants:</b>	Rajesh Pendekanti et al.	<b>Docket:</b>	ETH-5102 (16032)
<b>Serial No.:</b>	10/721,303	<b>Examiner:</b>	Roy Dean Gibson
<b>Filed:</b>	November 25, 2003	<b>Art Unit:</b>	3739
<b>For:</b>	MULTI-FUNCTION CLAMPING DEVICE WITH STAPLER AND ABLATION HEADS	<b>Dated:</b>	March 2, 2006
		<b>Confirmation No:</b>	7062

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Sir:


This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed 02 September 2005 in the above-referenced Office Action. Favorable reconsideration and withdrawal of all rejections is kindly requested in light of the following amendments and accompanying remarks. Please amend the application as follows.

---

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8(a)**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on March 2, 2006.

Dated: March 2, 2006

  
David J. Torrente